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		for a Vehicle at a Loading	)	
		Dock	)	
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**RESPONSE TO THE NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF DECEMBER 20, 2007**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office action dated December 20, 2007, please consider the following claim amendments and remarks. This response is timely filed, as it is accompanied by the fee for a three month extension of time, extending the response deadline to June 20, 2007.

**The Status of the Claims** is reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.